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SUBJECT: RAUTA CASE -- EMBASSY REPRESENTATION ON REHM
VISA

FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST FOR THE AMBASSADOR

1. DEPARTMENT IS DISTURBED BY PROSPECT THAT ROMANIANS WILL
HAVE EFFECTIVELY REFUSED VISA TO REHM IN ITS FAILURE TO
RESPOND TO HIS VISA APPLICATION. IT WILL BE IMPORTANT TO
DEMONSTRATE THAT WE HAVE MADE EVERY ATTEMPT TO ASSIST REHM.
TWO CONSECUTIVE ALTERNATIVES NOW PRESENT THEMSELVES.

2. FIRST, POLCOUNS OR DCM SHOULD RAISEVISA ISSUE WITH
APPROPRIATE FOR MIN OFFICIALS, POINTING TO OUR EXPECTATION
THAT ROMANIAN AUTHORITIES WILL ISSUE VISA
TO REHM THROUGH THEIR EMBASSY IN VIENNA IN TIME FOR HIS
PLANNED TRIP. DEPT AND EMBASSY VIENNA SHOULD BE INFORMED
OF RESULTS.

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3. SECONDLY, AND IN EVENT VISA IS NOT ISSUED, EMBASSY
SHOULD BE PREPARED TO MEET REHM AND ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN
AIRPORT-ISSUED VISA.

4. FOR EMBASSY VIENNA: EMBASSY SHOULD CONTACT REHM AT
HOTEL BRISTOL TO DETERMINE WHETHER HE WOULD TRAVEL TO

BUCHAREST AND TRY TO GET VISA AT AIRPORT WITH OUR ASSIS-
TANCE. THIS DECISION MUST BE HIS OWN. EMBOFF WOULD MEET
HIM, BUT HE SHOULD BE INFORMED THERE WOULD BE NO GUARANTEE
THAT THE ROMANIANS WOULD PROVIDE THE VISA. DEPT AND
EMBASSY BUCHAREST SHOULD BE INFORMED OF REHM'S RESPONSE BY
NIACT IMMEIDATE TELEGRAMS. VANCE

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